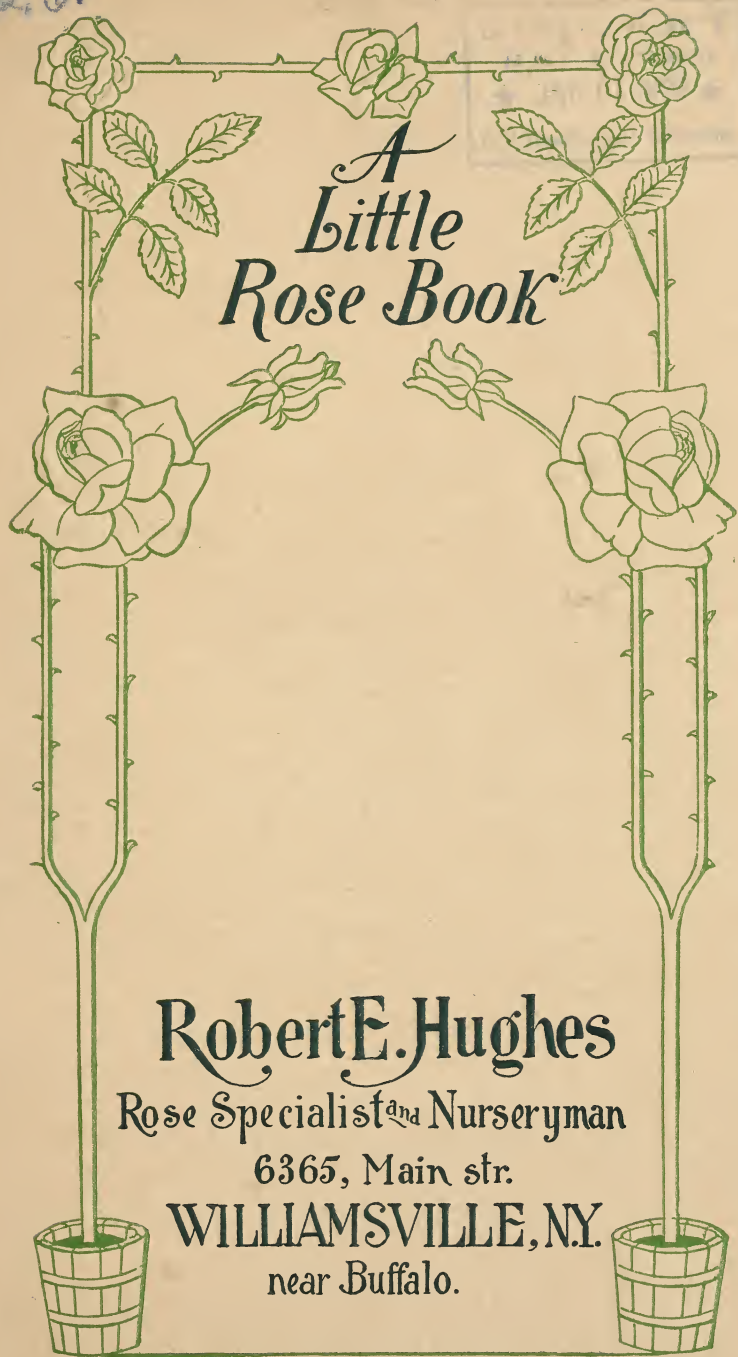


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Rose Book*

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Rose Specialist and Nurseryman

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WILLIAMSVILLE, N.Y.

near Buffalo.

SIZE AND VITALITY OF OUR ROSES

Our roses without exception are two year old plants on three year old roots. Nowhere can you buy stronger plants. During their growing season they have been regularly sprayed. This precaution gives my roses a higher vitality, enabling them to retain their foliage well into the fall. Roses grown in this manner are vastly superior and winter much better than roses that have lost their foliage prematurely through black spot. If the rose buying public would but consider for a moment, they must realize the superiority of roses that have been properly grown.

OUR STOCK IS UP TO DATE

WE NEVER DISCARD

an old variety unless we have something better to offer you. We have endeavored to keep our list of varieties down to one hundred sorts, selecting only such varieties that do universally well in widely different soils and locations.

To Old Friends and New



In presenting this, my eighteenth annual catalog of Roses, I wish to thank my many customers and friends for their kind recommendations and to assure them that my very best efforts will be used to merit their continued confidence. In the rough and tumble to put varieties on the market the Hybridists have fostered upon the unsuspecting rose loving public, many weaklings that never should have left the continent of Europe. These weaklings, after a season's growth usually find their way to the rubbish heap. In the selection of varieties I have eliminated such sorts that are known as "Fancy Roses," which only do well in a very few gardens, retaining only such varieties that make good growth and are not exacting in their requirements. I have always refrained from listing a variety from a commercial standpoint, if I think it would not be an advance over similar roses now in commerce. In fairness to our roses I would say they are all field-grown, and budded upon stocks to which they thrive best upon, mostly Jap-multiflora. When selecting roses for the garden, hardness of wood is quite essential, for good roses cannot come from soft grown plants that usually die back when set out.

In conclusion, I respectfully ask the rose loving public for a share of their patronage with the assurance that the varieties following are the best in their respective sections.

Yours faithfully,

A large, elegant handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Robert E. Hughes".

Rose Specialist

Williamsville, N. Y.



NEW H. T. ROSE. DR. E. DEACON.
(Description Page 4)

The Description of Our Roses

The description of our roses is not handed down from the Hybridists who, in a hurry to put their creations on the market, frequently over-estimate the habit of growth and blooming tendencies. Our descriptions are strictly as we find them, always stating defects when they exist.

Hybrid Tea Roses

This class now embodies the delicate shades and delightful fragrance possessed by Tea and H. P. Roses, combining, too, the vigor and more pronounced pink and crimson shades of color previously confined to one crop roses. This class of roses has superseded all others because of their superior constitution and **free blooming propensities**, blooming continuously until cut down by hard frost. They combine all the better traits of the two classes from which they have sprung. This great advantage, together with their delightful fragrance, has given them pride of place in our rose gardens today.

BETTY (A Dickson 1905)—Ruddy Gold and Rose, overspread with Golden Yellow. The bloom is semi-double and is best in autumn. The plant is a good grower. In some gardens where the air does not circulate freely, it will occasionally mildew. 2-year, 85c.

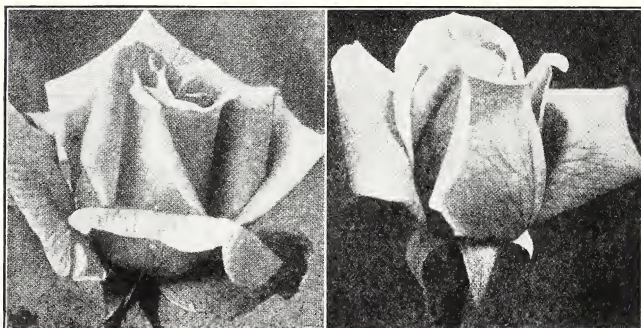
BETTY UPRICHARD (New)—Copper Red buds. Flower semi-double of great size and substance. Color, brilliant orange-Carmine, reverse, light Salmon. This new creation has so many sterling qualities that it should be in all collections. Its strong growing habit and resistance to disease makes it an ideal garden variety. I like it. Strong plants \$1.00.

CAROLINE TESTOUT—vigorous—(Ducher 1890)—Light Salmony Pink; large and globular, free and fragrant; not dainty in its requirements. It is justly popular everywhere. Its blooms occasionally droop with age, otherwise it has no bad faults. 85c.

COLUMBIA—Very Vig.—Almost thornless and has done exceptionally well in the open garden as well as under glass. The flowers are of good size and substantial. A great keeper in the coat. Color, pleasing shade of Rose Pink. As grown in our gardens, the plant is a good doer. In rainy weather the flower speckles somewhat. Then again whoever heard of the perfect rose? See cut, page 9. \$1.00 each.

CHARLES K. DOUGLAS—A new Rose that is highly recommended. Color, striking Carmine-Scarlet that does not fade. A fine grower, delightful foliage and resistant to disease. I am very much impressed with this new English rose. Flowers stand out prominently in the garden rows. A really fascinating Rose. 2-year plants, \$1.00 each.

DAME EDITH HELEN (New)—This new Irish creation is the rose of the year. Never before were we so enthusiastic over a new rose. The plant possesses a strong, vigorous constitution, healthy foliage and very free blooming. The flowers are produced singly on well foliated, strong canes. The bloom is full, absolutely perfect in every stage of development. The color is Rose du Barre Pink. Deliciously scented. Stock limited. \$1.50 each. Cut, page 7.



SOUV. H. A. VERSCHUREN
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REV. F. P. ROBERTS
(Description Page 15)

DR. E. DEACON—This grand new seedling rose is such as will charm every lover of real good roses. The margin of the petals being pale pink, gradually emerging into deep salmon orange, giving the flower a most wonderful appearance. The rose is full, of fine form and lasts well. The habit is very free and disease proof. Price \$1.50. (See Plate 2.)

ELVIRA ARAMAYO (New)—Unlike any other rose I know. Buds orange scarlet, passing to orange vermillion. The flowers are semi-double and stand out prominently when massed and are produced in endless profusion. Abundant, glossy foliage. \$1.00.

DUCHESS OF WELLINGTON—H. T. Vig.—We think this the ideal Yellow H. Tea Rose on account of its many good qualities. It is a strong growing rose of much distinction and very floriferous. This rose has held sway for over 16 years and during that time many yellow roses have come and passed into oblivion. Its apricot fragrance alone makes it worth growing. \$1.00.

ELDORADO—An American introduction that stands out prominently among the yellow roses. The flower is clear yellow, very large, full and floriferous, fine in autumn. Considered by many equal to Souv. Claudius Pernet. \$1.25 each.

ETOILE DE FRANCE—A strong growing, sparkling deliciously, scented Red Rose. Its large full flowers come singly on long stems, making it invaluable for cutting. Quite hardy. In continued wet weather its buds fail to open. 2-year, \$1.00.

ETOILE DE HOLLAND (Vigorous, New)—This seems to be the long looked for red everblooming rose. So many of the red roses when free-blooming lack constitution and those which have strong constitutions are not found to be floriferous. This new variety has both requisites and the flower does not blue with age. A real acquisition. A sterling rose, deliciously scented. \$1.50 each.



SOUV. DE CLAUDIUS PERNET (Description Page 15)
A yellow rose which does not fade.

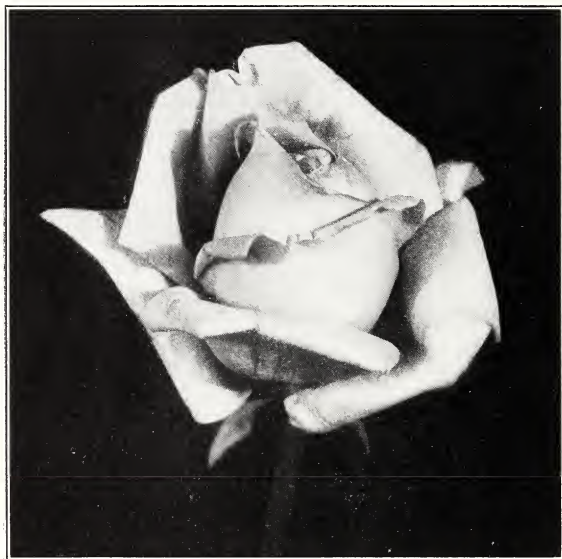
FEU JOSEPH LOOYMANS (New)—Long pointed buds and an entirely new lift in color hitherto unknown among Roses. Vivid Orange. It has good habit of growth and mildew-proof foliage. Was the outstanding exhibit at the Ontario Rose Exhibit recently held in Toronto. \$1.25 each.

FRANK W. DUNLAP—An improved Mrs. Charles Russell. I find that this variety is head and shoulders superior to Mrs. Russell in habit and growth. The plant is easily grown and the flowers of very deep pink, last a long time when cut or in the garden. A really worth while variety. \$1.00 each.

GEN. S. A. JANSEN—H. T.—Large brilliant Carmine double flower, freely produced. A very strong growing, free flowering plant of perfect habit. \$1.00 each.

GENERAL McARTHUR—Vig.—Bright Scarlet Red. A universal favorite of good habit and possessing delightful fragrance. In the Summer the color goes off. This must be expected but in spite of this, it should be planted in every collection. 85c each.

Do not neglect spraying your roses with Bordeaux Mixture in late fall also in early spring. This remedy has been found effectual in the control of Brown Canker.



MRS. HENRY BOWLES
(Description Page 14)

GEORGE C. WAUD—Orange Vermillion, distinct and beautiful, perfect finish, floriferous. Strong tea perfume. Give it the best place in your garden. Beautiful in Spring and Fall. Blooms fade in hot weather. \$1.00.

GOLDEN OPHELIA—A seedling of Ophelia but more yellow than its parent, with same healthy habit of growth. As all the Ophelias open in all kinds of weather, they must be considered in every garden collection. 2-year, \$1.00.

GRUSS AN TEPLITZ—Very Vig.—An exceedingly strong grower with plum colored foliage, moderately full blooms appearing in clusters at the end of long stems. Very seldom out of bloom. A fine rose for hedging or massing. In some cases the rose comes blind because growers do not bud it from flowering wood. We bud from the flowering wood. 85c each.

HENRIETTA—Fiery orange crimson to soft coral salmon shaded at base with glowing orange. This is a superb strong growing variety. The bloom is semi-full and quite striking. \$1.00 each.

HORTULANUS BUDDE—We find this rose an excellent bedding rose as it is very free flowering. The color is dark orange scarlet. \$1.25 each.

**DAME EDITH HELEN**

The Rose of the Year (Description Page 3)

HADLEY, H. T.—Vig.—This, a Dark Velvety Red Rose, was sent out as a forcing rose but it has proved its worth for garden decoration. The color holds well in the garden and is very fragrant. The blooms increase in size with the cooler weather. A really good red rose. \$1.00 each.

IMPERIAL POTENTATE—This new Rose was awarded the Gold Medal by the City of Portland for the best bush rose shown and the Silver Trophy of the Portland Chamber of Commerce for the best rose produced in 1923 on the Pacific Coast. I would call the color orange vermillion, although frequently catalogued as pink. The color does not fade. \$1.25.

JONKHEER J. L. Mock—One of the best bedding roses and at its best in a dry hot season. In a wet season, the buds do not all open well. The color is a deep Imperial Pink, reverse Silvery Rose White. \$1.00 each.

KAISERIN AUGUSTA VICTORIA—H. T.—The ideal bud and open flower, possessing that beautiful spiral formation with reflex petals. The flower is very full and always perfect. Color, creamy white, tinted yellow. Strong magnolia-like fragrance. Excellent foliage. When well fed, the plant produces exhibition blooms that are a joy to behold. \$1.00 each.

KONIGIN CAROLA—This Rose has an ideal constitution, good foliage and always in bloom. Its buds are long pointed, very double, in color, Satiny Rose. A good rose. 85c.

K. OF K. (KITCHENER OF KHARTOUM)—H. T.—In my opinion this red rose is much better than Red Letter Day as the flowers hold their shape better with the added advantage of possessing fragrance. A fine rose for massing. 85c each.

KILLARNEY—A one time universal favorite on account of its free blooming propensities and delicious fragrance. It is not as good a grower as Killarney Queen. It is subject to mildew. 85c each.

KILLARNEY QUEEN—A decided advance over its parent not only in color and growth, but is immune to mildew. No garden is complete without this rose. \$1.00 each.

LADY ALICE STANLEY (Vig.) McGredy 1909—Outside of petals deep coral rose, inside pale flesh. Elegant large full flowers carried on rigid stems and sweetly perfumed. A very reliable, satisfactory rose and highly recommended. 2-year, \$1.00.

LADY ASHTOWN—H. T. Vig.—Rich silver pink, very double blooms with high pointed center and splendid shape. Free flowering and a good bedding variety. The flowers keep splendidly before and after cutting and is quite an aristocrat. \$1.00 each.

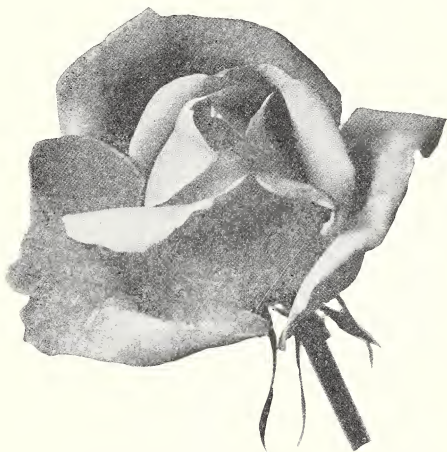
LADY FLORENCE STRONGE—An entirely new, distinct and novel color; reddish brown to old rose shading to yellow at the base and pink towards the edge. The petals are heavily veined and flushed scarlet, flowers are large, full with high centres and fragrant. Exceptionally free. \$1.25 each.

LADY MARGARET STEWART (1927)—Another marvelous introduction of Alex. Dickson & Sons, awarded the Gold Medal of National Rose Society of England. The color quite unique, deep sunflower yellow heavily veined and splashed with orange scarlet. These colors intermingle as the flower develops into a beautiful orange effect. Flowers quite pointed and double, sweet scented. \$2.00 each.

LADY PIRRIE—Delightful buds opening to semi-double flowers of deep Coppey, Reddish Salmon, inside of petals Apricot Yellow. A fine rose for massing, as it is a persistent grower. Buds should be cut before they open widely. 2-year, \$1.00.

LADY URSULA—Extremely vigorous — (A Dickson 1909) — The strongest growing Rose of the Hybrid Tea family. The flowers are flesh Pink, with pointed buds which beautifully reflex and the plant is always in bloom. In my opinion the most satisfactory Rose of its color, and one that always does well, even under adverse conditions. 2-year-old, \$1.00.

In replenishing old Rose Beds, dig out holes about 1 foot square and 15 inches deep and replace with new soil of heavy texture. Newly planted roses in old beds never do as well unless new soil is added. Usually old soil in rose beds develop soil acidity which destroys the roots and is generally black in color.



COLUMBIA (Description Page 3)

LOS ANGELES—An exceedingly beautiful rose that does well in some sections and short lived in others. It is really so beautiful it is worth trying. Our plants are hard grown. We have dozens of testimonials from customers stating that our Los Angeles was the first of that variety that ever did well. Color luminous flame pink. \$1.00 each.

LORD CHARLEMONT (New)—One of the most gorgeous, brilliant red roses in commerce. The flowers of most intense crimson, deepen to carmine, crimson with almost black shadings. Opens perfectly in all weather. The plant is free flowering. Deliciously scented. A Royal Rose of much merit. \$1.50 each.

MADAME BUTTERFLY—A glorified Ophelia. This variety has taken pride of place in our rose gardens. The growth is exceptionally good and the flowers all open perfectly, even in wet weather. In color, we find Flesh, Cream, Salmon and Yellow. A dependable rose of great substance. Color page 13. 2-year, \$1.00.

MADAME JULES BOUCHE—H. T. Very Vig.—Full pearly white Camelia-like flowers, shaded blush. Superb in Autumn. The dependable rose of great substance. 2-year, \$1.00.

You can have beautiful Roses in the fall if you spray, regularly every two weeks with Pomodust when well leafed out. This remedy will positively prevent Black Spot if applied in time, but will not cure if once infected.



OPHELIA

(Description Page 14)

MADAME EDOUARD HERRIOTT (P. Ducher 1913)—Also known as the Daily Mail Rose that was the talk of Europe a few years ago. Its color is unique in the extreme, described as "Coral Red, shaded with Yellow and bright Rosy Scarlet." A wonderful combination of hues. The plant is generally catalogued as a vigorous grower but we find its growth only moderate. A pleasing color when a strong grower, is not desired. 2-year, \$1.00.

MARGARET McGREDY (New)—Another new rose of much promise. Color oriental red passing to carmine rose. The habit is strong, growing, elegant foliage. This rose seems to satisfy all critics. Price \$2.00.

MISS CYNTHIA FORDE—H. T.—An extra vigorous growing rose that is not exacting in its requirements, producing its deep rosy pink flower in profusion and carried on stiff stems. The rose is rapidly becoming a favorite with all garden lovers. \$1.00 each.

MISS LOLITA ARMOUR — (Howard & Smith 1920) — Flowers are large and full with great substance and deliciously scented. As the blooms expand, they develop to a deep coral-red with a golden suffusion. The plant is a good grower and free flowering. Awarded the highest award at Paris. \$1.00.

MADAME LEON PAIN—A truly worth-while, dependable Rose. In color, Silver Flesh shaded deep Orange. Its habit is quite branching and universally does well. \$1.00.



MRS. LOWELL SWISHER—New
(Description Page 14)

MRS. AARON WARD—H. T. Free—Delightful little buds of Indian yellow, quite full opening in all kind of weather and always in bloom. Its holly-like foliage is most attractive and its constitution is quite dependable. A favorite with the ladies. It is head and shoulders superior to such yellow roses as Sunburst, Rayon D'Or, Mrs. Rindge or Constance. \$1.00.

MRS. CHARLES BELL—Called the Apricot Radiance. The growth and form of bloom is the Radiance type, differing only in color. Does well everywhere and is not exacting in its requirements. Fine in the South where other roses fail. \$1.00 each.

MRS. A. R. WADDELL—H. T. Very Vig.—A beautiful decorative rose for massing. The tapering yellow copper buds are produced in great profusion. Deliciously perfumed and the color becomes more pronounced in the Fall. Blooms semi-full. As good a grower as Teplitz. \$1.00 each.

MRS. A. R. BARRACLOUGH (1927)—This new production from Ireland captured the gold medal of the National Rose Society of England. The plant is strong growing and exceptionally free. Its soft pink buds open into large double, beautiful flowers that brighten with age. You will make no mistake in planting this variety. Price \$2.00 each.



MRS. ERSKINE PEMBROKE THOM.
(Description Page 14)

Additional Roses Not Previously Listed

ABOL (1927)—A very vigorous and free flowering new white. No other white variety has such delightful fragrance. In the bud, the flower is delicately tinted which passes away as the flower expands. The blossoms are double, well formed on long stems with few thorns. This is the rose we all are looking for. Stock limited. \$2.00 each.

CHARLES P. KILHAM—See colored cut with description.

CUBA—As a bedding rose for brilliant mass effect, this variety is hard to beat, altho almost single. Its brilliant vermilion flowers stand out in contrast against its lovely foliage. A vigorous grower and very free. \$1.00 each.

IRISH HOPE (New)—This new red rose is considered by many as the best fool proof variety of recent date. A splendid and distinct red with heavy broad petals opening to moderately full very fragrant flowers. Color is rosy crimson with maroon shading. Its habit is ideal and as it is very free flowering, I predict for it a great future. \$1.25 each. See color plate.

IRISH SWEETNESS—A delightfully fragrant variety. Color is crimson lake suffused scarlet. A fine grower and very free flowering. \$1.00 each.

JULIEN POTIN—Known as the Golden Pernet. It is beyond question the most brilliant of the yellow sorts. Its long and shapely buds develop into large full flowers of elegant form and sweetness. Upright in growth with glossy green foliage. \$1.25 each.

MISS ROWENA THOM (New)—This American introduction from the Pacific coast seems to have all the requisites of a fine garden rose. It is not exacting in its requirements, in fact it is as strong in growth as the celebrated Radiance rose. Its brilliant rose pink flowers are frequently five inches across and produced on long stems. It will be largely grown when better known. \$1.50 each.

MARION CRAN (New)—Flowers of a most wonderful color combination; a deep buttercup yellow margined and flushed cerise. The blooms are full and of fine form. The habit is very vigorous and free flowering; the foliage is mildew proof and of heavy texture. One of the freest and most perpetual flowering garden roses yet raised. \$1.25 each.

TALISMAN—The rose of many gold medals. The color combination is most fascinating, containing shadings of gold, apricot, yellow and old rose. The buds are long and well formed averaging about twenty-eight petals. It has proved to be a fine strong grower with glossy foliage. \$1.75 each.

VILLE DE PARIS (City of Paris)—A gold medal was awarded this variety at the International Rose Show held in Paris. It is in color a rich buttercup yellow, delightfully fragrant. The bush is quite upright in habit of growth with rich holly-green foliage. One of the best yellows. \$1.25 each.



ETOILE DE HOLLANDE
(Description Page 4)

Additional Roses Not Previously Listed

MME. GREGOIRE STAECHELIN—New climbing rose from Spain. This rose received the only gold medal awarded to a climbing rose at Bagatelle, France. The long pointed buds are crimson at first then opening into a lovely flower of pearl pink. Deliciously fragrant and produced on long stems. Its habit of growth is equal to Dr. Van Fleet and the foliage is disease resistant. A sterling variety of great merit. Strong plants. \$3.00 each.

BREEZE HILL (Climbing)—A fragrant, hardy climbing rose with fine stems for cutting. The color is light pink with fawn suffusion. The flowers are very full and the plant quite hardy and of rampant growth. \$1.50 each.

GOLDEN SALMON (New Poly)—This new color in the Baby Roses is remarkable in its distinctly brilliant luminous orange scarlet. It is exquisite when planted along driveways or around a bird bath. Blooms continuously. \$1.00 each.

Our Los Angeles Is Different

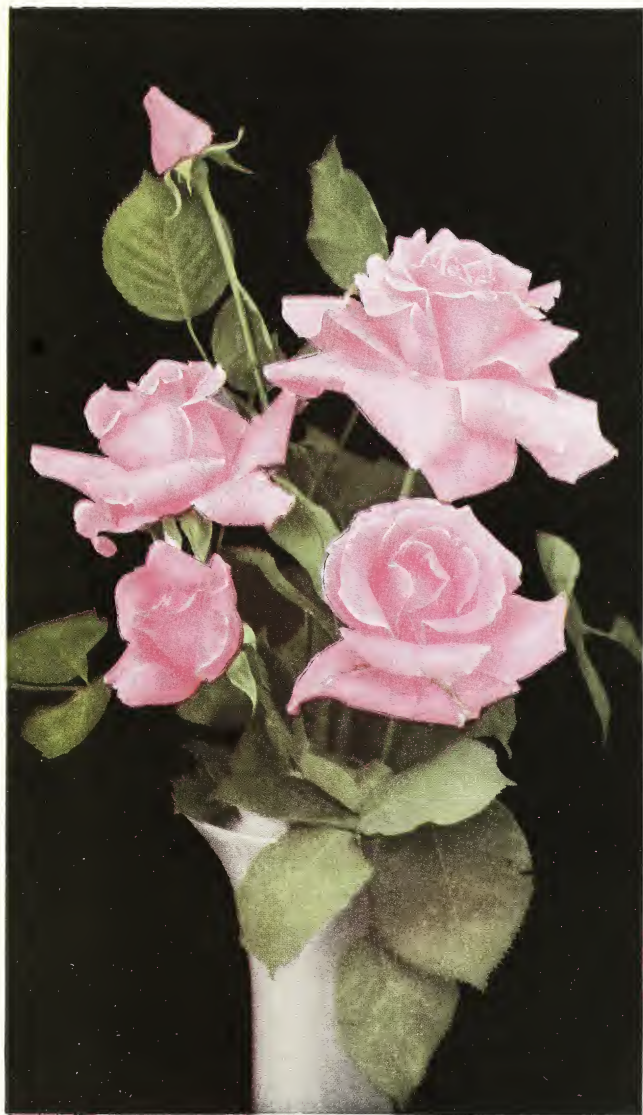
Los Angeles when budded on Ragged Robin universally does well. You may see blocks of this variety in nursery rows budded on multiflora which make rampant growth but it never does well when transplanted. Multiflora is the improper stock for this rose. Our Los Angeles is budded upon Ragged Robin. Include it in your order.

Three Beautiful Roses Free

For every order of one dozen roses which you procure from your friends or neighbors, outside of your own order, we will send you three beautiful everblooming roses, my selection.



CHARLES P. KILHAM (1927)—This variety is the finest variety offered by any firm this year and conceded to be the best English introduction of the past season. A splendidly built flower, fine habit and good foliage. A marvelous color; brilliant orange, Oriental red suffused with glowing scarlet. It has caused a furore in England. Awarded the gold metal at the National Rose Society of England in 1927. \$2.00 each.



WILLOWMERE
(Description Page 16)



PAUL'S SCARLET CLIMBER

We were awarded the silver medal for our display of this rose at Toronto, for the best new climbing rose.

PAUL'S SCARLET CLIMBER — (New) — We have imported many hundred novelties during the past twelve years from England and Ireland, but this new rose by far excels any Red rose we have today. We were the first to exhibit this climbing rose at the exhibition of the Annual Rose Show of the Rose Society of Ontario held in the City of Toronto. The flowers we staged were open over two weeks, the color being as perfect as on the first day. This is the only Red Climbing Rose that will not go off color. The plant in the garden immediately arrests attention. It has lovely **mildew-proof foliage**. The flowers are of medium size, semi-double, freely produced in clusters of from three to six flowers, each on much-branched canes. The plant is literally covered with flowers from top to bottom. Was awarded the Gold Medal of the National Rose Society of England and the much coveted Gold Medal at Bagatelle Gardens, Paris. Fine for Pergola or Pillars and **absolutely hardy**. Heavy plants, \$1.00.



IRISH HOPE
See page 13

A WELL BALANCED DOZEN

Keeping in mind quality of bloom, vigorous habit of growth, productiveness and ability to thrive under adverse conditions:

BETTY UPRICHARD
ETOILE DE HOLLANDE OR IRISH HOPE
MADAM BUTTERFLY
MARGARET McGREDY
MRS. CHARLES BELL OR LADY URSULA
MRS. ERSKINE PEMBROKE THOM
MRS. HENRY BOWLES
MRS. HENRY MORSE
MRS. LOWELL SWISHER
RADIANCE
REV. F. P. ROBERTS OR FEU JOS. LOOYMANS
WILLOWMERE

We will supply the above dozen roses in strong plants for \$13.00.

The above dozen roses comprises eight selected by the American Rose Annual.

The other four which in our opinion are inferior to the ones which we have selected in their places are:

Margaret McGredy superior to S. G. Pernet (poor grower).

Mrs. E. Thom stronger grower than Lady M. Stewart.

Mrs. Henry Bowles more substance than Mad. Herriott.

Mrs. Lowell Swisher much better than Mad. J. Bouche and in our opinion the best flesh colored rose in the world today.

We have discarded the following varieties as they have been superseded by superior sorts:

American Beauty, poor in open.	Mrs. Charles Russell, common color.
Angelo Pernet, poor grower.	Mme. Alex. Dreux, poor grower.
British Queen, poor grower.	Queen Alexander, short stems.
Edward Mawley, poor grower.	Mrs. A. Ricardo, short hold.
Frances Scott Key, bad opener.	Mrs. F. R. Pierson, useless.
Golden Emblem, black spots.	Shot Silk, poor grower.
H. V. Machin, short stems.	Templar, fades badly.
La France, balls.	Sunburst, poor in the open.
Louise C. Breslau, black spots.	Mrs. W. C. Miller, short stems.



MADAME BUTTERFLY
(Description Page 9)

MRS. ERSKINE PEMBROKE THOM (New)—Can be truthfully called the Yellow Radiance. Rose lovers have been looking for a yellow rose with the habit of growth and free blooming propensities of Radiance. This new variety of American origin promises to fill a long felt want. The buds are a deep canary yellow without shadings. Opens into good sized flowers that are a joy to behold. Don't miss this rose. \$1.50 each. Cut, page 12.

MRS. FRANKLIN DENNISON—An unusually strong growing porcelain white rose, with large sized petals of great substance. The plant is free flowering and one of the best of the light colored varieties. \$1.00 each.

MRS. HENRY BOWLES (New)—Without exception the finest and most free flowering rose in my garden this year. Its warm rosy pink shaded salmon orange blooms possess wonderful substance. I could write a full page about the merits of this rose, but what is the use, as my stock of this variety is limited. \$1.50 each. (See cut page 6.)

MRS. HENRY MORSE (New)—This new Irish Rose has won several distinctions abroad. Mr. McGredy in first offering this novelty, stated that he never offered a new variety with greater pride. The flowers rising from a groundwork of soft Flesh-Cream, the whole flower has a clear sheen of bright Rose, washed Vermillion, which is really wonderful for depth, size and substance. The most pointed of all roses of its type. \$1.25 each.

MRS. LOWELL SWISHER (New)—A remarkably strong growing and free blooming variety. The color of the bud is deep copper at the base, merging to salmon pink at the tips. Its attractive foliage adds much to its beauty. Has a great future. \$1.50. I am in love with this lady. Cut Page 11.

MRS. W. C. EGAN—Its massive, perfect blooms are borne on rigid stocks opening into flowers of two-tone Pink, shaded Yellow. Flowers quite lasting with strong branching habit of growth. The best rose of its color ever sent out and better still it is of American origin. 2-year, \$1.00.

OPHELIA—Admittedly the best light colored rose that Wm. Paul & Sons, the English hybridists, ever sent out. A rose that is admired by everyone. Its flowers are held erect on long stiff stems and are of the most perfect form, good size and substance. Color a delicate tint of Salmon Flesh, shaded Rose. Very free flowering. Do not miss this variety. 2-year, \$1.00. Cut Page 10.

PADRE—H. T. Vig.—Strong, upright growth, producing flowers with fine long petals of coppery scarlet coloring; flushed yellow base. An excellent bedding variety. This new rose from England has all the earmarks of a comer. A sterling variety. Will produce more blooms than any other H. T. rose we know. \$1.00.

RADIANCE—The rose that does grow and is always in bloom, even in the hottest weather. An ideal bedding rose of American origin that should be more generally planted. The color is brilliant Carmine Pink with Yellow shadings, slightly by-color. A sterling Rose. 2-year, \$1.00. See cut, page 15.



RADIANCE (Description Page 14)

RED RADIANCE—very vigorous—A counterpart of Radiance except in color. Possesses all the good traits of its parent. Color is a bright Cerise Red. This rose does well when others fail. Its habit of growth is branching and we find it to be the ideal Hybrid Tea. \$1.00.

REV. F. PAGE ROBERTS—This is one of the most beautiful of the newer roses. To begin with, the color is quite startling. The coppery yellow pointed buds with reflex petals are marked carmine-red passing into large beautifully formed roses of much substance, that lasts a long time when cut. It is my ideal of a perfect flower. This variety will always be in demand when better known. We are now pricing this variety at \$1.50 each. See cut page 4.

ROSE MARIE—(Durner & Sons 1918)—A remarkable free flowering variety, producing large long ideal buds that are a joy to behold. They develop into full flowers of beautiful form and great substance. A most pleasing clear Rose Pink. \$1.00.

SOUV. GEORGES PERNET (P. Ducher 1922)—This new Rose is said to be a great bedder. Its globular flowers of Orient-Red open naturally. We find it a poor grower. \$1.00 each.

SOUV. CLAUDIUS PERNET (new)—This new French Rose, color a striking Sunflower Yellow, deeper in centre, without any color blending, and which is retained without fading in the warmest weather, has flowers large and pointed and beautifully formed. Foliage is brilliant green. You cannot afford to miss this new variety as the price is now within reach of all. \$1.25 each. See cut, page 5.

SOUV. DE GEORGE BECKWITH—Another new Rose of great distinction. Its large double blooms of Salmon Pink and Yellow are freely produced and quite lasting. It has proved to be a vigorous grower and much superior to the Lyon Rose which it has superseded. 2-year old plants, \$1.25 each.

SOUV. H. A. VERSCHUREN—Buff Yellow-Shaded Orange. Blooms perfect and lasting. This Holland introduction has lived up to its previous reputation. We find it unusually free from disease, a fair grower and very productive. Holds its head erect and does not fade badly. A really good Yellow Rose. 2-year old, \$1.25. See cut, page 4.

SIR DAVID DAVIS (New)—Color unfading deep glowing crimson running to light yellow at base. Flowers are large, full, pointed and of fine form; petals are large and of heavy texture. The habit is strong, upright and free. One of the sweetest scented roses we know. \$1.50 each.

WHITE KILLARNEY—Vigorous—(Waban Rose Co. 1909)—A true sport from the ever favorite Pink Killarney, with larger and more double flowers. Perpetual blooming (subject to mildew). Fine in Autumn. 2-year, \$1.00.

WILLOWMERE—The color is similar to Los Angeles. Its outstanding characteristics are hardiness and free blooming propensities, it never being out of bloom. This rose is not good when budded on certain stocks but we have the stock to which it shows an affinity to do well upon. 2-year, \$1.00—Extra heavy, \$1.15.

WILLIAM F. DREER—A counterpart of Los Angeles except color. In it are found the yellow tints of the water lily. A most pleasing color. \$1.00 each.

WILHELM KORDES (New)—This rose, to our mind, is most difficult to describe. The parentage is Ophelia-Gorgeous, and if you can get any idea as to the coloring of these two roses at their best, you will have it. Its habit is perfect freedom. Dark reddish foliage. Free from disease and every flower is beautiful under the most trying conditions. The build of the bloom is excellent. Highly recommended (see color cut page 23). \$1.50 each.

Budded vs. Own Root Roses

We at one time grew roses on their own roots but have long since discarded that method of propagation. We did not find the game worth the candle, when grown on their own roots the plants made poor growth, invariably winter killed even when protected. They required too much coddling. When budded, they make more growth in one season than own root roses do in three, come in flower sooner and produce finer and more blooms. Our budded stock is over twice as large as own root roses. I have as yet to see a really fine bed of Hybrid Tea Roses on their own roots.

We would be pleased if our patrons would write their names clearly so that we could read them readily. In cases when Post Office or Express is different this should be noted when placing your order.

Roses for Special Purposes

MARY WALLACE—Is more of a pillar rose than a climber, although it frequently attains a height of 8 feet. This rose was disseminated by the U. S. Department of Agriculture. The department describes it as self-supporting, with large glossy disease resistant foliage, blooming with great profusion in Spring and Summer. The flowers are 4 inches across, are well formed, semi-double of bright Rose Pink with Salmon base. A rose for every garden. Price, \$1.25 each. Mammoth plants.

CONRAD F. MEYER—Hybrid Rugosa—In this delightful Hybrid we have an ironclad, strong-growing Rose with strong **self-supporting** canes. Can be used as single specimens or massed (set about 4 feet apart). Its average height is about 6 feet. Fine for screening unsightly views. This rose should not be pruned except to shorten the strong canes to about 3 feet. Prune quite early in March. The flowers are quite full, a beautiful shell pink and an established plant, frequently carries several dozen blooms. Strong plants, \$1.00 each.

JULIET HYBRID BRIAR—This rose always has been in demand on account of its unique coloring. Outside of petals, Old Gold, inside a rich Rosy Red. The blooms are good sized and quite fragrant. Subject to Black Spot. 85c each.

GRUSS AN AACHEN—New Polyantha—A decided new departure in edging roses as the blooms are as large as many Hybrid Teas and the plant is always in bloom. The color is Orange Red in bud passing to Salmon Green when open. Can be used to edge a bed for taller growing varieties especially the Crimson or Reds. \$1.00 each.

ORLEANS—Baby Rambler Type—Large flowers of brilliant Geranium-Red, suffused rose as the flowers mature. The plants grow to a height of 18 inches to 2 feet and are continuous in bloom. Fine for edging walks or around bird baths. 85c each.

PERSIAN YELLOW—A double-flowered rose producing in the Spring the utmost profusion of blooms that are fragrant and darker than Harrison's Yellow. \$1.00 each.

ROSA HUGONIS—Light Yellow flowers, 1½ to 2 inches, blooming profusely along the entire length of slender arching branches, making a handsome display early in the season, usually a month before other roses are in bloom. Erect branching growth reaching 6 feet and very spreading, **absolutely hardy**. When out of bloom the foliage is picturesque. Can be planted amongst shrubbery, singly or massed. Extra strong plants, \$1.25 each.

NEW HYBRID RUGOSA ROSE—F. J. Grootendorst—This new type of Rose is called the Rugosa Baby Rambler. Has Rugosa foliage, **absolutely ironclad**. Grows about 4 feet high and wide, quite branching and everblooming. The flowers are like small Red Carnations. At its best as a specimen or in a bed in an exposed position. Strong plants, \$1.00 each.

Hybrid Perpetual Roses

The varieties listed below are unquestionably the cream of their class, comprising a full range of color. These roses require less care than Hybrid Tea Roses and yield abundance of flowers in June with scattering flowers in the Autumn months. They make a beautiful background for a bed of Hybrid Tea Roses and are strongly recommended for cold climates.

CANDEUR LYONNAISE—The new **Druschki**. Similar in habit with the added distinction of producing larger blooms. 2-year, \$1.00.

FRAU KARL DRUSCHKI—Syn., Snow Queen and White American Beauty. Very Vig. The most generally planted of all white roses. The blooms are of enormous size, the outer petal showing a delicate tinge of pink. Unfortunately the flowers lack fragrance. This variety in many gardens frequently blooms in the Autumn. A great show rose. Strong plants, \$1.00 each.

GEORGE ARENDS—Or Pink Frau Karl Druschki, possessing the same growth and free flowering tendencies of Druschki, with the added virtue of being deliciously scented. A Royal Rose and should be more generally planted. 2-year, \$1.00.

GEORGE DICKSON—This unique new rose named in honor of the Senior Member of the Firm of Alex. Dickson and Sons, and claimed by them as their ideal of a perfect red rose. As grown in our gardens the flowers droop, otherwise it is quite outstanding. \$1.00 each.

MAGNA CHARTA—Bright Pink, suffused Carmine, vigorous, one of the best. 2-year, \$1.00.

MME. ALBERT BARBIER (New)—A recent introduction and as free-flowering as many Hybrid Teas. Its long buds of pearly white, suffused salmon flesh, open into large full flowers. A gem in every respect. \$1.50 each.

MRS. JOHN LAING—A beautiful soft Pink Rose of excellent form and habit. A very free flowering variety, deliciously scented and trustworthy. 2-year, \$1.00.

PAUL NEYRON—Deep Rose. The largest of all roses. After the main blooming season is over in June this variety sends up long canes bearing beautiful blooms that would make you wish you had planted more of it. A fine companion for F. K. Druschki. Strong plants. 3 feet high, \$1.00 each.

ULRICH BRUNNER—Bright Cherry Red. Flowers full and large. A dependable rose. 2-year, \$1.00.

Climbing Roses

These Roses are suitable for training over porches or other objects. They require little pruning which could be done immediately after flowering. Simply remove all black or dark canes by cutting them entirely away. This operation will encourage your roses to make new branches early in the season.

AMERICAN PILLAR—A single flowered variety bearing pink flowers in heavy trusses. It retains its foliage well in to the Fall.

BESS LOVETT—Similar to Climbing American Beauty with the added advantage, the petals drop cleanly as they fade. \$1.00 each.

CHRISTINE WRIGHT—A strong growing Rose producing superb double blooms of Wild-Rose-Pink. Leatherly foliage, immune from insects. \$1.00 each.

CLIMBING AMERICAN BEAUTY—This new rose has lived well up to its reputation. Strong and vigorous growth with canes 10 to 15 feet in a single season. Its rosy crimson flowers on long stems are enhanced by its beautiful foliage, fragrant and fine for cutting. Extra heavy plants, \$1.00 each.

DR. HUEY—Similar in habit to Paul's Scarlet Climber and makes a fine companion for this rose. Color crimson maroon and fully expanded, never fades. It is equally as fine as Paul's Scarlet. \$1.00 each.

DOROTHY PERKINS—A most splendid Pink variety of strong growth.

DR. VAN FLEET—Flesh pink on the outer surface deepening to rosy flesh. The flowers are very double and carried on good stiff stems. The blooms, when open, will measure 4 inches in diameter with high pointed center. Extra strong growing. \$1.00 each.

EXCELSA—Known as the red Dorothy Perkins.

EMILY GRAY—The new Yellow Climbing Rose. Flowers semi-double, unfading and slightly fragrant, produced single or on small clusters by a strong growing plant. The foliage is pointed and shiny, like holly. This variety is almost hardy. Price, \$1.25 each.

GARDENIA (Hybrid Wichuraiana)—The best strong growing yellow Rambler. Has beautiful glossy green foliage.

PAUL'S SCARLET CLIMBER—This pillar rose is one of the finest scarlet ramblers ever put into commerce, and when in full bloom is a sight not easily forgotten. The flowers are fine under artificial light. Unquestionably the most popular pillar rose grown. Quite hardy, strong budded plants. (See color cut.) \$1.00 each.

SILVER MOON—In this Rose we have an ideal habit of growth together with its bronze-green mildew-proof foliage. Its large flowers of ivory white with prominent yellow stamens are produced on long stems, ideal for cutting. Plants, \$1.00 each.

Prices of Climbing Roses

Prices of Climbing Roses are 75 cents each, except where noted.



CONRAD F. MEYER
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Cultural Directions

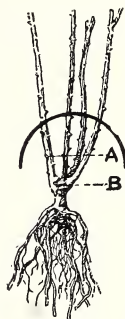
LOCATION—Choose the best position in your garden, where the air will circulate freely yet protected from strong winds. Do not plant near trees and keep away from hedges and shrubbery. Roses do not require constant sunshine. Do not plant annuals near your roses, they resent it.

SOIL—Roses are by no means arbitrary as regards to soil, or how could they come so universally good from widely different soils and locations. The ideal soil, a clay loam, suits them best. This soil should be of an adhesive nature, yet porous enough to permit drainage. Roses do not do well in all black soil as it contains too much acid. You will find that roses winter much better in heavy soil. Never elevate your rose bed except if its location is low. Elevated beds dry out rapidly. If your soil is sandy you can dig out holes where the roses are to set, about a foot square and 15 inches deep and fill in with heavier soil, mostly clay, to surround the roots, as the roses require heavy soil to cling to.

PLANTING—My roses are all low-budded and should be planted with the union one inch below the level. This is most important. Too shallow or too deep planting means failure. By all means plant firmly by treading the soil around the plant. When filling in the soil after planting, give one good watering to firm it. Dormant roses, when planted early, require little moisture until active growth starts. Hybrid Teas should be set eighteen inches apart, Perpetual or one crop roses, two feet apart.

PRUNING—Roses should be severely cut back, especially when planted in the Spring. Your best blooms come from the low eyes, being larger near the base of the plant. Always cut the thinnest canes shortest, and all weak wood entirely away. Cut the strong branches to six or eight inches and the smaller branches to half that length.

THINNING OUT—It frequently happens as the season advances, that several small shoots appear on some plants. These should be cut off. The plant will then branch from the bottom and throw out strong canes, producing beautiful blooms.



B—Shows where Rose is budded.

A—One inch higher, shows its ground level.

Curved circle, four inches higher still, shows soil moulded up for winter protection.

PLANTING TIME—The bulk of our roses are shipped out to be planted in early April for spring planting and the beginning of November for fall planting. We also ship during March, to sections further South.

FERTILIZER—Nothing is better for roses than cow manure. It can be used more liberally, besides holding more moisture than other manures. New horse manure is too heating and should be used as a winter mulch. When one year old, it can be thoroughly mixed with soil. If manure cannot be secured, bone meal can be used with the addition of slacked lime or land plaster; this will sweeten the soil.

In cities where cow or horse manure are not available, pulverized sheep or cattle manure may be had and used quite heavily as a top dressing. Use at the rate of 50 lbs. for 50 roses.

DISEASES AND INSECTS—Aphis, or green fly, little insects which infest the new growths in countless numbers, are best dislodged by gently spraying with the garden hose. This at the same time, cleanses the plant. Tobacco dust, usually to be had at seed stores, dusted on the plants in early morning when covered with dew, is further recommended when conditions require.

Green Worm—(Those that eat the leaves.) Apply hellibore with a small powder bellows early in the morning when dew is upon the plants, about three or four applications a season will suffice. Both the tobacco dust and hellibore will temporarily disfigure the plant but it can be washed off by spraying with the garden hose the third day after application.

BROWN CANKER—Described and illustrated in 1927 Rose Annual. A fungus affliction controllable by spraying copiously with Bordeaux Mixture in Autumn—and frequently in early Spring before the foliage appears. In some gardens frequent losses occur which is attributed to winter-killing but which in reality is Brown Canker. The disease is detected by the appearance of brown spots surrounded by a purple rim. Remove the affected parts and spray frequently.

Mildew—Detected by a grayish appearance of the foliage. Usually starts on the newer growths, frequently caused by closeness in day-time and cold nights. May be held in check by applying dry sulphur in the early morning. During late summer, do not water your roses in the evening as this induces mildew.

BLACK SPOT—Appearing as the name applies upon the leaves usually on the base of the plant. This fungus disease makes its appearance in late Summer and can be prevented if precaution is taken in time. Apply Pomodust with bellows or blower every ten days from June to August and your roses will be clean of spot. 5 lb. cans cost \$1.25; 10 lb. cans, \$2.10; 15 lb. cans, \$3.00. Must go by Express.

WINTER PROTECTION—Mother earth, hoed about six inches around your plants is the best protection. This sheds the water, thus preventing the plant from heaving up. It also keeps the plant at an even temperature. This method is much better than applying heavy manure directly against the plant. Apply the manure between the mounds. It can then be dug in Spring. Do not apply the manure until after several hard frosts, as mice may harbor there and bark your roses, if applied early in the season.

All my roses, without exception, 2-year old, are out of door grown, having well-ripened wood. We have no greenhouse, consequently the Roses we send out are all winter-rested and full of vigor and infinitely superior to Roses grown under glass.

Why order early. All orders are filled in rotation as received. Last season hundreds of late orders were returned. Acknowledgment of your order will be made at once.

I ship by Express and Parcel Post, the latter being the most satisfactory. Customers wanting roses shipped by Parcel Post, kindly remit 50 cents per dozen plants in 1st, 2d and 3d zones and 80 cents in 4th and 5th zones when ordering. This applies to all orders east of the Mississippi River.

Fall Shipments usually despatched in early November.

We Reserve the right to omit an item, to balance a shortage in remittance due, also to add to your order if you have over remitted.

C. O. D. Orders must be accompanied by at least 25% deposit.

Complaints must be made upon receipt of goods, and will be rectified if we have made any mistake.

Guarantee. We guarantee our plants true to name and to reach you in good growing condition. If found otherwise they must be returned to us immediately and we will return your money. Following the custom of the trade and not knowing the treatment they will have when received, we do not guarantee none will die.

Second Choice. Kindly name a few additional varieties in case we are sold out of some sorts. This is important when orders are received late in the season.

Our Nursery of 12 acres is situated on Main St., half mile east of Williamsville, a suburb of Buffalo, N. Y. Street cars pass our door. Cars leave Main St., Buffalo City Line on the hour and half hour.

Late Orders. Each year we receive hundreds of late orders calling for specified varieties which we nor any other firm can possibly fill at such a late date. A large number of these customers fail to realize that certain sorts must become exhausted as the season advances. We would deem it a favor if permitted to fill such orders, using our best discretion as to similar colors.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

This will certify to the high standing of Robert E. Hughes of Williamsville, N. Y. Any statement he may make in reference to his roses will, in our opinion, be truthfully made.

Howard G. Britting,
President, Bank of Williamsville, N. Y.



WILHELM KORDES—New (Description Page 16)

The Experience of Others May be Yours

Dear Sir:—

I notice that you print a letter of mine in your catalogue this year. That is perfectly all right with me and if I were writing that letter now instead of a year ago, I would make it much stronger than I did then. There is absolutely no doubt that your plants are in a class by themselves. I have bought a few from all the leading growers and yours have proven better than the others in every respect. That is the reason that I bought yours exclusively last year and am also this year buying a few that I hope to be able to squeeze in somewhere. Am only sorry I haven't room for a lot more. I now have over 100 of yours, I believe, and am tempted to take out most of the 100 or more I have bought from other sources and replace them with yours. I may do it gradually.

Yours truly,

Wm. R. McKown,
Oakmont, Pa.

Robt. E. Hughes,

Dear Sir:—

Roses arrived yesterday, came through in splendid shape.

I have been growing roses for over 15 years just for the love of the rose, and I have never received from any grower as vigorous looking plants as I received yesterday.

I want also to thank you for the two extra plants you sent as a gift.

Wishing you much success and again thanking you, I am

Yours very truly,

Alex Beck,
Indianapolis, Ind.

Robert E. Hughes

Dear Sir:—

The first week in April you sent me about 80 roses, many of them Hybrid Teas. They were by far the finest bushes I have ever gotten. The Los Angeles and Dame Edith Helen are most vigorous and full of great buds. I have never succeeded with Los Angeles before.

Mrs. B. A. King,
Gambrills, Md.

Dear Sir: —

Please send me your set of Roses for \$12.00. Enclosed is the check. Mr. P. Berwald, my neighbor, recommends these roses so highly and I also saw Mrs. Yates' bushes which are the best I ever saw. If it is too late to ship, hold the order until it is a suitable time.

Yours very truly,

Harriett M. Jones,
Bradford, Pa.

My dear Mr. Hughes:

I have in my garden some 1300 rose bushes, purchased in England, Continental Europe and America. Without an exception those purchased from you are the best.

Jacob J. Lang,
Buffalo, N. Y.

July 3, 1928.

Mr. Robert E. Hughes,

Dear Sir:—

The Los Angeles roses sent me and planted about April 10th, have been full of the most magnificent blooms twice this spring and are now loaded with buds preparing to bloom again. Etoile De Holland sent me and planted at the same time is a wonderful red rose. Contrary to the opinion of rose enthusiasts in this section of the country, these roses are my best and seem to be well suited to this section, with F. Page Roberts running a close second. I think the success I have had with the Los Angeles and Etoile De Holland is due to the fine rose stock that you sent me and also to the fact that these were planted in the Spring. My roses planted last October and November are not as fine as those planted this Spring and I am going to plant roses in future in the Spring, in fact, I think they should be planted in this climate about the last of February or March 1st, what is your opinion?

Please send me two or three copies of your latest catalogue and any printed matter that you have concerning roses for this climate. I will place your literature in the hands of friends who will appreciate your fine rose stock.

Yours very truly,

G. C. BOWDEN,
1090 Oakdale Road, N. E.
Atlanta, Ga.

Enclosed please find check in payment of bill herewith.

I cannot send you this check without telling you how very fine I found the rose plants. It seems to me the best stock I ever had.

Very truly yours,
(Mrs. F. S.) Lillian C. Stutter,
Concord, N. H.

March, 20, 1928.

My dear Mr. Hughes.—I am back this spring for more roses. The ones I had of you last spring could not have been finer in any way. They grew vigorously and bloomed as if they had been growing there for years. I only wish that I could devote a larger space to roses.

Very truly yours,
Isabelle H. Lampson.
Austinburg, Ohio.

March 20, 1928.

You will be interested to know that the rose bushes which you have furnished me for several years have done exceptionally well and given splendid satisfaction.

I note by your 1928 Rose Guide, that you offer a special collection of twelve bushes for \$12.00. I assume that the bushes in question are of extra heavy stock as that is the only kind I desire to purchase.

I am enclosing my check in payment for a set of these bushes and would appreciate it if you would use the same care in selecting them as you have shown in the past.

Yours very truly,
L. C. Dinsmore.
Brooklyn, N. Y.

April 15, 1928.

My dear Mr. Hughes:—

The order of Roses I received from you this spring are in perfect condition. Have bought Roses from different growers, but I have to admit that your stock is perfect. Have had roses for the last fifteen years and wish I could produce plants like yours in my own garden.

Yours,
James K. Wunsch,
Evanston, Ill.

Robert E. Hughes,
My dear Mr. Hughes:—

It is always a regret to me to receive your annual catalogue. I have so little room to plant each year and the roses I buy from you are so good they fail to die and therefore I am unable to order as many as I wish. However, I would like to have you send me this year at an early date as you feel it is possible for me to plant them out the following for which I am enclosing my check.

In my many years experience as a grower of roses for pleasure and in a small way I have never had such satisfactory results as have been given me by the stock furnished by you.

Very respectfully yours,
Spencer L. Dawes, M. D.
New York City,

In the Garden of Better Homes and Gardens

Mr. Hughes:—

Regarding the roses you furnished Mr. Meredist, Editor of Better Homes and Gardens, I wish to say they have done wonderfully well. Last year I cut roses on the eleventh of November. I have had lots of comment from rose growers in this vicinity on your roses.

Yours truly,
Wm. Roe.
Des Moines, Iowa.

I bought some of your roses last spring; and they grew wonderfully and were very much admired. I am so much pleased with them, I am sending you a check for the list of bushes I would like to have this spring.

Mrs. G. H. Rice,
Catonsville, Md.

April 12, 1928.

Dear Mr. Hughes:

Received the rose bushes. They were by far the largest and best plants that I have ever received. Thank you very much for them.

Very sincerely,
Mrs. S. C. Woodruff,
W. Henrietta, N. Y.

